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There are many attributes that make model railroading deserving of the title “World’s Greatest Hobby.” Sure, the hobby includes activities for just about any interest, from modeling and scenery to electronics, operations, and history. But what I find to be truly great is the willingness of everyone to share their knowledge and to be very helpful to anyone who asks. Even in our modelling contests, top modelers don’t keep secrets – they love to explain all of their little tips and tricks.

For me, participation in the NMRA has connected me with many individuals who were willing to help me improve my modeling skills and inspire me to do more. For example, earlier today (as I started writing this), I met with an NMRA member who helped me set up my SPROG3 device for programming decoders.

I’m a retired mechanical engineer, so one facet of the hobby that I enjoy is layout design. I am in the process of building a new home in San Antonio that will feature a dedicated layout room. The HO layout will represent the CB&Q’s triple track “racetrack” from Aurora to Chicago.

My vision for the Lone Star Region Division 6 is for us to grow the membership, but also to create meetings and events that provide value to the members. As your Division 6 Director, I would like to get your input and find out how the NMRA can help you.